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ENDOSCOPICALLY DELIVERABLE ULTRASOUND IMAGING SYSTEM AND METHOD OF USE

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in this declaration. I acknowledge a duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 of any United States application(s), or 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States of America, listed below and, in insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of the application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of USC 112, I acknowledge a duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application. This application is a Continuation-in-part of a previously filed and co-pending application having the same title, the same inventors, and having application # 10/120,721 filed April 11, 2002, which claims priority to provisional application #60/351,122, filed January 23, 2002. This application also claims priority to provisional application #60/428,422, filed November 22, 2002.

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As the named inventor, I hereby appoint Mr. Eric Karich, Registration No. 41,503, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. Mr. Karich uses CUNTOMER NUMBER 21704.

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